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Applicant: **Tao Zhang**

Group Art Unit: **TBA**

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For: **Substrate Handling Device For A Charged Particle Beam System**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the subject application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 10 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.